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Tech. Sgt. Jim Varhegyi

United we stand

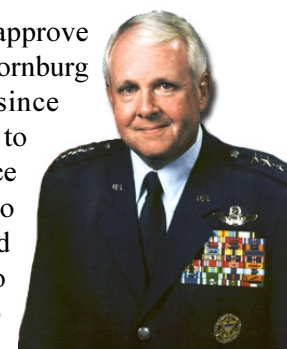
More than 20,000 people attended a ceremony held on the Pentagon Parade Ground Oct. 11 to remember those killed in the Sept. 11 terrorist attack at the Pentagon and to show their continued support of the U.S. Across Bay County, adults and children are also showing their support. For more, check out Page 8.

Hornburg nominated to command ACC

COURTESY AIR EDUCATION AND TRAINING COMMAND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — President George W. Bush has nominated Gen. Hal M. Hornburg, commander of Air Education and Training Command, to be the next commander of Air Combat Command at Langley Air Force Base, Va.

The Senate must now approve the nomination. General Hornburg has commanded AETC since June 2000 and will return to ACC where he served as vice commander from January to June 2000. He will succeed Gen. John P. Jumper, who left ACC in September to become the Air Force chief of staff.



Courtesy photo
Gen. Hal Hornburg

Tyndall members make a difference in children's lives

A little time, caring goes a long way with less-fortunate children

2ND LT. SERENA CUSTIS

325th Fighter Wing public affairs

Sixteen-year-old Jeremy was making straight F's in ninth grade. He got into trouble for shoplifting at Wal-Mart. His father wanted nothing to do with him. His mother worked two jobs and didn't have time to make sure his homework got done.

During his second year in ninth grade, Jeremy met Greg. Greg was a mentor who helped him set goals and learn discipline. He taught Jeremy to take pride in himself and his schoolwork. Now, Jeremy is making passing grades and is even

taking extra classes to catch up to his peers. Jeremy's mother can't believe his turnaround. This story may sound like a fairy tale but, in many cases, it only takes one person to change a child's life.

Staff Sgt. Greg Keenan, an engine technician with the 1st Fighter Squadron, is director of the Partners in Education mentorship programs at Parker Elementary and Rutherford High School. Programs like these link Team Tyndall volunteers to the children in the community who need them. Mentors spend time with students to help build their self-esteem and give them someone to make proud. They also encourage students to succeed academically.

Sergeant Keenan has been a mentor in the community for several years. He found out about mentorship opportunities

through his wife, a secretary at Parker Elementary.

"I love kids," Sergeant Keenan said. "I've always hated to see those kids waiting outside the school by themselves for someone to come pick them up. They're just out there alone, waiting. I just wanted to do something."

Sergeant Keenan did do something. He has mentored three high school and six elementary school students in the past three years. He has seen how just a few hours a week can make a positive change in a young life.

"My reward is the hugs they give me and the smiles on their faces," he said.

One of the program's most dedicated mentors, Senior Airman Casey Wyman of the 325th Air Control Squadron, has

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Mission impossible without great troops

BRIG. GEN. WILLIAM F. HODGKINS

325th Fighter Wing commander



It's been a busy week around Tyndall. Representatives from across the Air Force as well as civilian contractors arrived Monday for a

weeklong F-22 site activation task force conference. More than 70 people worked out and discussed security, logistics, communications and other beddown-related issues to prepare for the arrival of the first Tyndall F-22s.

It's a critical time to be a part of the Air Force and the Checkertail Clan as we continue to write new chapters in our history. The F-22 will add to the wing's legacy and tradition of excellence. Its combination of integrated avionics, stealth, maneuverability and supercruise — supersonic flight without afterburner — will give our pilots a first-look, first-shot, first-kill capability against any aircraft and ensure America can meet any challenge. All eyes are on Tyndall as we lay the groundwork for the beddown and prepare to accept the F-22 in 2003. We welcome the opportu-



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nity. I'd like to thank Lt. Col. Robert “LeeBob” Hinkle and his F-22 integration office for all their hard work and for hosting a first-rate conference.

Another example of teamwork occurred last weekend with Retiree Appreciation Days. Retired Col. Bobby Kirkland, Lt. Col. Ed Manning, 325th Support Group deputy commander, the Retiree Activities Committee and various base and community agencies were instrumental in making this event a tremendous success. A special thanks to all involved and especially to our retirees, who continue to make vital contributions to Tyndall.

Last week, I encouraged people to remain involved in activities. I can't stress enough how important it is to take advantage of opportunities to get involved in community-sponsored events, spend time with the family and get to know one another outside the work environment. Unfortunately, because of our current security posture, we had to postpone the wing dining out. However, it will be rescheduled. Also, as long as we remain in force protection condition “Charlie,” hunting will not be allowed on base. In an increased security posture, we don't need to take

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War on terrorism strikes at heart of humanity

CHAPLAIN DANIEL NIGOLIAN

325th Fighter Wing chapel

War. The word fairly screams at us from newspapers, television screens, radio broadcasts and magazine covers. It's on the lips of our family members, friends, neighbors and coworkers. It's a new word to some — those too young to remember Vietnam, Korea and the two World Wars. It's also a word used to describe a concept as old as mankind.

Long ago, when the first human made the first bad choice, conflict was born — war between good and evil. It's often a hidden war, waged within the heart. We feel it. We know the battle raging inside. The enemy fights against the right, honorable and upright choices we want to make.

This warfare also rages in public — in plain view. Most recently it reared its ugly head in New York, Washington, D.C. and a field in Pennsylvania. An evil attack meant to damage and destroy for no good reason — a public display of the same ancient warfare. Bad choices conceived in hate and fear give birth to irrational and de-

structive actions — choices made by people too blind to see the evil at work within them. We must fight this war.

It's right that we combat terrorism. It's right that we insist on justice. It's our duty and privilege to work long, hard hours to accomplish the mission. But, we must do more than that.



We must weigh in on the right side of the war that strikes at the heart of humanity. We must make good and Godly choices. Live an honorable and upright life. Lead by example. We must put aside fear and live as the blessed people we are. Let's teach our children the ways of righteousness, not self-righteousness; dignity not indulgence; courage not cowardice.

This war will continue long after the current crop of terrorists is consigned to the pit. Pray for the courage to make good choices. Good choices lead to selflessness, responsibility, patriotism, honor and loyalty. These are among the weapons that strike fear in the heart of the enemy. They are weapons of light. There are many others. Look to your own arsenal; maintain your weaponry. Be vigilant.

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The Action Line is your direct line to me. It is one way to make Tyndall a better place to work and live.

Action Line calls are recorded and staffed through the proper agency. The goal is to provide you with an accurate, timely response. You must leave your name, phone number or address to receive a response.

Questions or comments of general interest will be published in this forum. This avenue should only be used after coordinating problems or concerns with supervisors, commanders, first sergeants or facility managers. If you're not satisfied with the response or you are unable to resolve the problem, call me at 283-2255.

For fraud, waste and abuse calls, you should talk to the office of inspections, 283-4646. Calls concerning energy abuse should be referred to the energy hot line, 283-3995.

BRIG. GEN. WILLIAM F. HODGKINS

325th Fighter Wing commander

Q Enough is enough! How rude can some drivers be entering the base? While most base residents and employees understand delays in entering the base, there are large numbers of drivers who are anything but courteous when entering the Sabre Gate in morning traffic. Their left turn into base housing and turnaround to go straight across the gate is noticed and not appreciated. Their U-turn at Tyndall Elementary School so they can come back and make a left turn into Sabre Gate is not appreciated. All you have done is create a larger traffic jam for people who are properly waiting their turns to enter the base. Please close the left turn lanes in both directions on Highway 98 at the Sabre gate during morning traffic. This will allow

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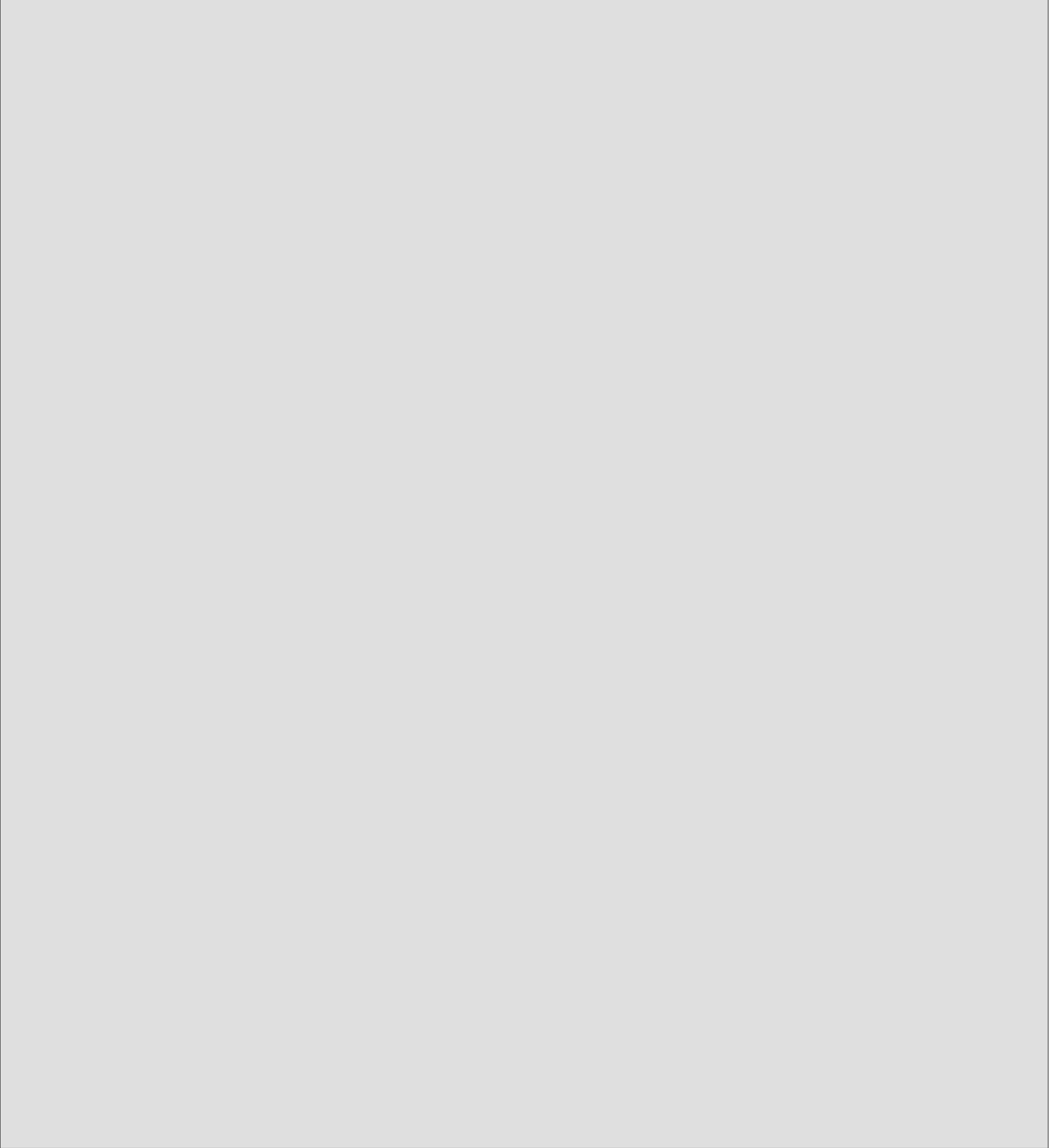
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Enlisted troops needed to fill aviation positions

MASTER SGT. WILLIAM GRIESEMER
Air Education and Training Command

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AETCNS) – Enlisted people interested in aviation opportunities in the Air Force may find what they’re looking for among the nine career enlisted aviation specialties.

With about half of the specialties on the chronic critical skills shortage list, people can visit their local military personnel flight to determine their eligibility to cross train and requirements they must meet to qualify for these positions.

Career enlisted aviation positions include the following specialties:

● **1A0X1**, in-flight refueling special-

ist: Flight crewmember on KC-135 and KC-10 aircraft responsible for in-flight aerial refueling of fighter, bomber and cargo aircraft.

● **1A1X1B**, rotary wing flight engineer: Flight crewmember on various model special operations and rescue helicopters responsible for aircraft performance, navigation, hoist operations and aerial gunnery operations.

● **1A1X1C**, fixed wing flight engineer performance qualified: Flight crewmember on various fixed wing aircraft responsible for aircraft performance, systems operation, and malfunction detection and analysis.

● **1A2X1**, loadmaster: Flight

crewmember on cargo aircraft responsible for supervising cargo loading and tie-down, weight and balance calculations and passenger handling.

● **1A3X1**, airborne communications specialist: Flight crewmember responsible for operation and troubleshooting of all radio communication equipment.

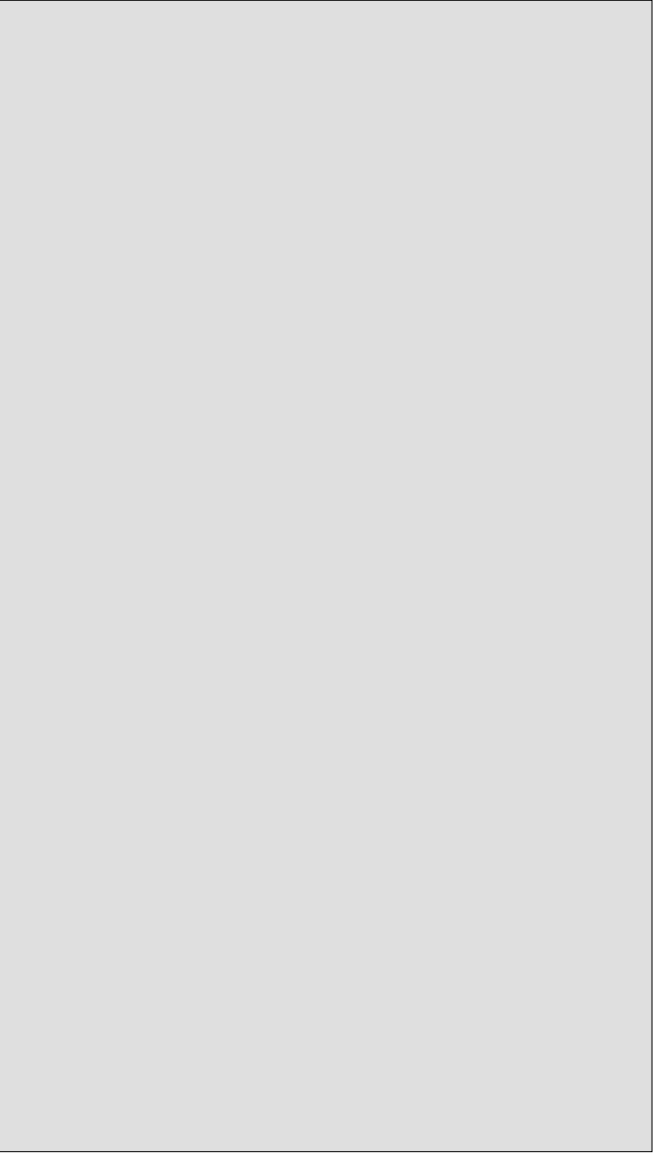
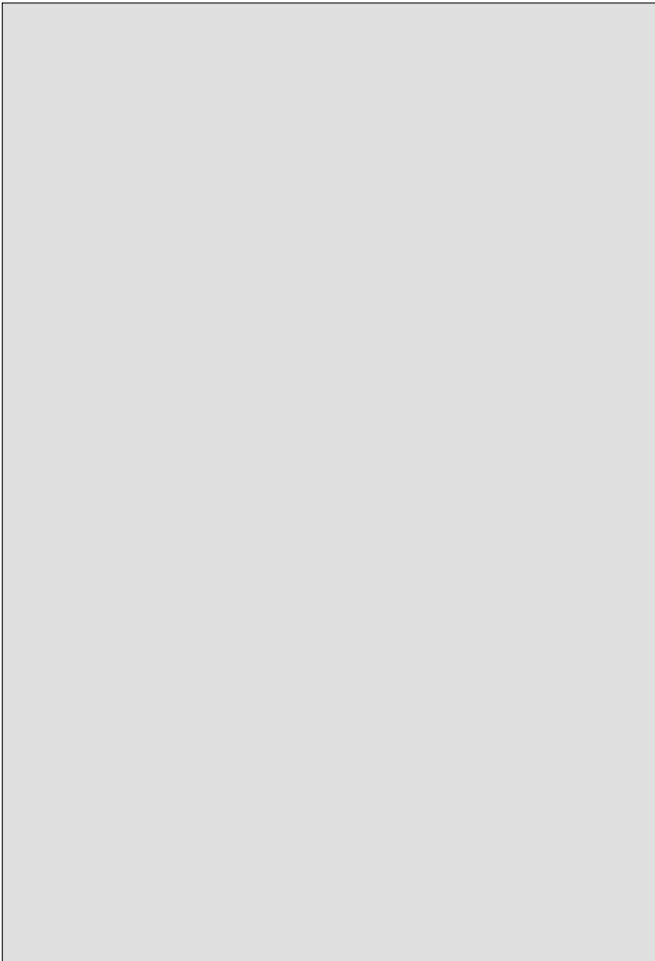
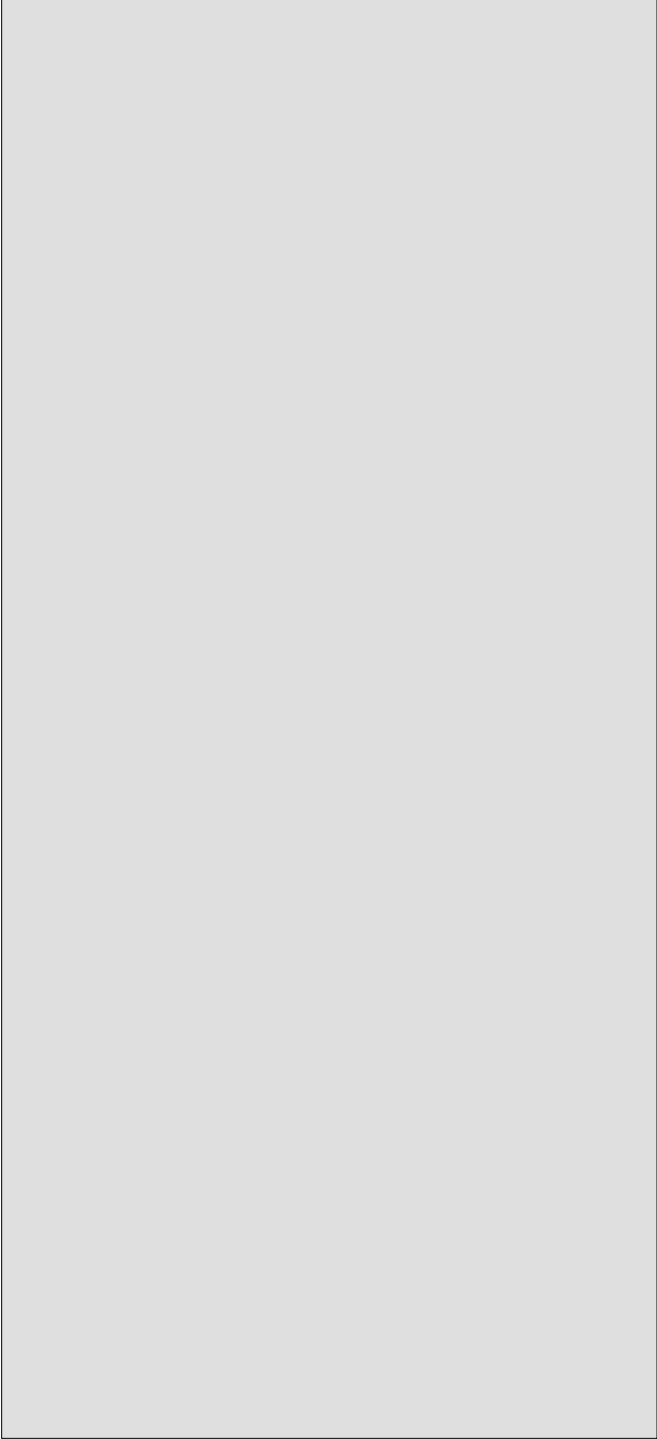
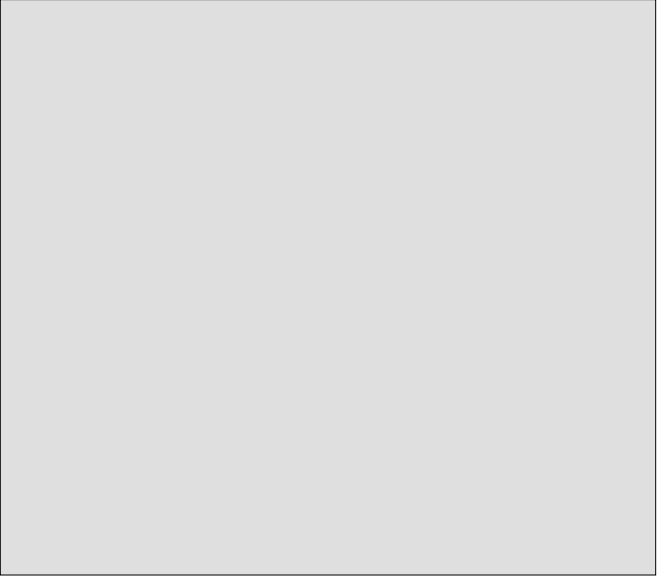
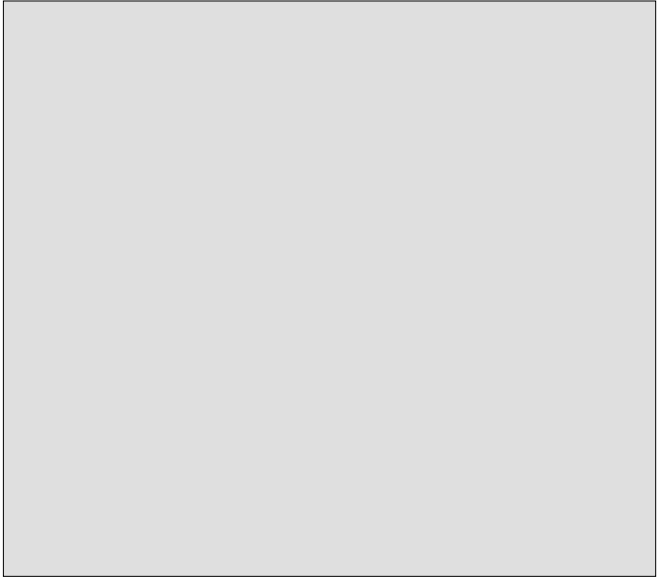
● **1A4X1**, airborne battle management systems specialist: Flight crewmember responsible for operation of airborne radar and electronic countermeasures equipment.

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American Heart Association

WE'RE FIGHTING FOR YOUR LIFE



Youth center holds annual festival

MARCIA A. ROBERTSON

325th Services Squadron marketing office

The youth center holds its Fifth Annual Fall Festival from 6-8 p.m. Oct. 26 at its location. The event features food, games and door prizes. A costume contest takes place at 7 p.m.

“Most of the games are geared to children,” said Alma Hooks, 325th Services Squadron director of youth programs. “The costume contest, however, is open to teens as well as anyone younger.”

Although admission is free, attendees

must purchase tickets to participate. Cake walks, basketball shoots and miniature golf will be played throughout the evening.

Skinny Bob and Dor-Dor the clown are appearing courtesy of First Command Financial Planning, said Brenda Daniels, 325th Services Squadron commercial sponsorship coordinator. “They’ll be doing face painting and making balloon animals.”

In addition to the games, hamburgers,

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Tech. Sgt. Kevin J. Gruenwald

Not in Kansas anymore...

Airman 1st Class Shelly Byers, deployed from the 325th Security Forces Squadron, Tyndall Air Force Base, Fla., reviews an entry-authorization listing at an entry-control point on the flightline at Incirlik Air Base, Turkey as Staff Sgt. John Duly and Staff Sgt. Paul Evans provide security. Tyndall currently has more than 80 airmen deployed in support of current operations.



Master Sgt. Jerry Cash

One for you, one for me

Belinda Leos cuts cake Oct. 12 at the Tyndall Hispanic Heritage dinner as her husband, Tech. Sgt. Jacob Leos, looks on.

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been a mentor for three years. “I get a lot of satisfaction by helping younger kids,” Airman Wyman said. “They look up to you when you’re in the Air Force. It’s my chance to make a difference.”

Airman Wyman says some military members may not want to volunteer because they don’t want to disappoint the children when they go on temporary duty assignments or a permanent change of station.

“Something is better than nothing,” he said. “Just the little time you spend with a kid can make a big difference.”

Students selected for mentorship programs are usually suffering academically. Tyndall’s mentorship programs include ninth and 10th graders and elementary school students ranging from age 8 to 10.

To volunteer as a mentor for a high school or elementary school student, contact Sergeant Keenan at 283-4891.

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● **1A5X1**, airborne mission systems specialist: Flight crewmember responsible for operation of airborne radar, identification friend or foe equipment, computer display and ancillary equipment.

● **1A6X1**, flight attendant: Flight crewmember on various VIP aircraft responsible for passenger handling and service.

● **1A7X1**, aerial gunner: Flight crewmember on various model special operations and rescue aircraft responsible for operation of numerous offensive and defensive weapon systems.

● **1A8X1**, airborne cryptologic linguist: Flight crewmember on various aircraft responsible for foreign language translation. Benefits include career

enlisted flight incentive pay starting at \$150 per month and increasing over time to \$400 per month, selective reenlistment bonuses and increased promotion rates for specialties on the chronic critical skills shortage list.

For more information, visit the Air Staff career enlisted aviation Web page at: www.xo.hq.af.mil/xoo/xoot/xoota/cea/cea.shtml.



Scott H. Spitzer

Airman 1st Class Adam Cain, a 2nd Air Refueling Squadron KC-10A boom operator from McGuire Air Force Base, N.J., makes contact with a B-2 during refueling operations. The duty position of in-flight refueling specialist is one of nine Air Force career enlisted aviation specialties.

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any unnecessary risks and have people outside our law enforcement officials carrying weapons. However, take advantage of the various community festivals and one of the best golf courses in Northwest Florida, the Pelican Point Golf Course.

Another base event people can get involved in is "Project Goblin." Each year, security

forces conducts patrols of base housing to safeguard children during trick or treating. Due to the current situation, the SFS needs assistance performing this duty. Volunteers must wear BDUs and provide their own flashlights. Also, this year's Tyndall trick or treating falls on Oct. 30 rather than Oct. 31. This decision was made to accommodate those who attend Wednesday religious ceremonies.

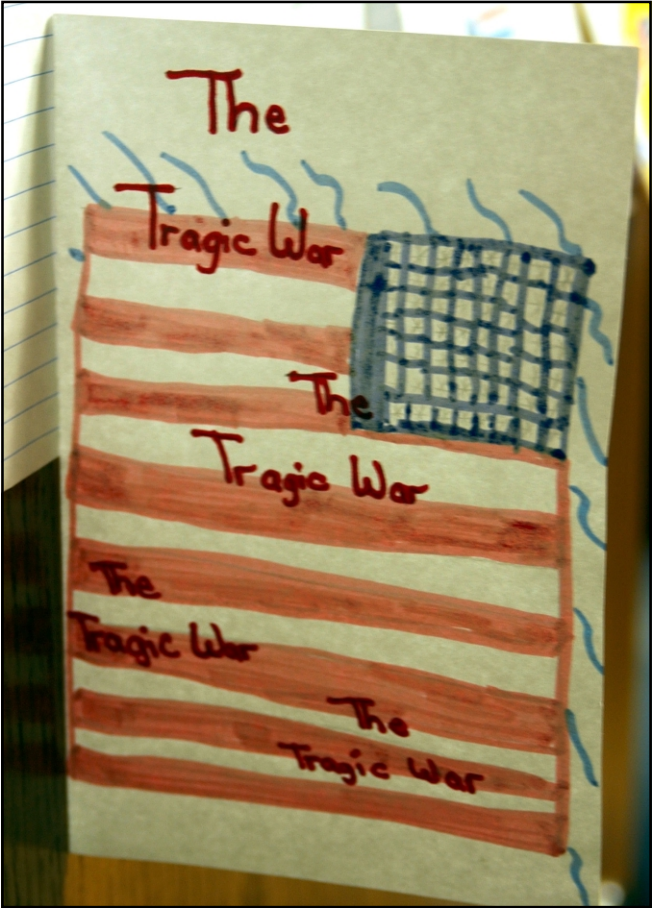
There's only one way to come out ahead of the pack.

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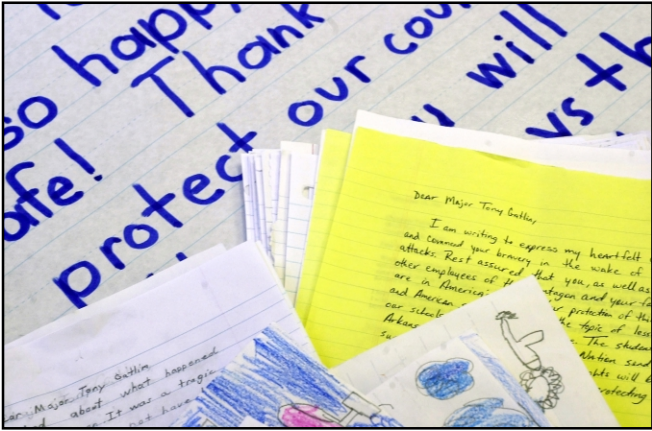
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Feature

Dear Air Force, Thank you for protecting us



Children from area elementary schools sent cards, letters and cookies to show their support for Team Tyndall following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.



STAFF SGT. ROEL UTLEY
325th Fighter Wing public affairs

Tyndall was recently on the receiving end of goodwill and community support in the form of letters and cookies from local elementary school teachers and children who wanted to show their support for America’s military.

A handful of teachers at Tyndall, Springfield and Highland Park Elementary Schools banded together and baked cookies to show their support for airmen assigned to Tyndall. One fourth-grade class also wrote letters to show their support to servicemembers who are working long hours following the events of Sept. 11.

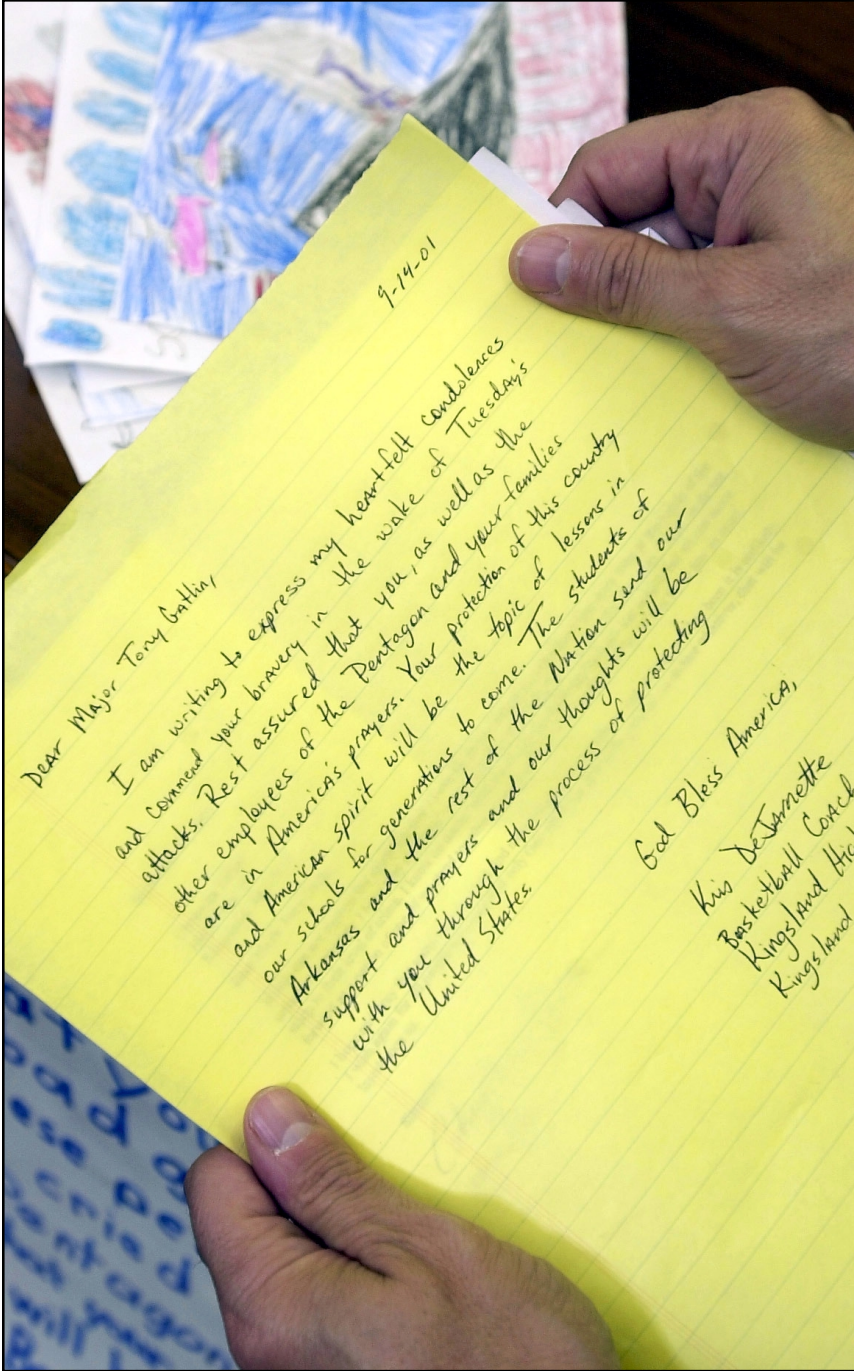
The idea came from Jacquie Tripp, a teacher at Tyndall Elementary. She and friends Robin Mills, Springfield Elementary, and Krystal Adcock, Highland Park Elementary, got together to do something to show their support. Mrs. Tripp and Mrs. Mills are spouses of military members here.

Mrs. Tripp rallied her coworkers as well as Mrs. Mills and Mrs. Adcock to help bake cookies for delivery to different units on base that were supporting 24-hour operations.

Mrs. Mills said that after the attacks on the World Trade Centers and the Pentagon, her students were concerned when they heard airplanes in the area in the days following. She told her students that the military was here to protect them and assured them they were safe. She also asked her students to write letters of appreciation to the military members who were protecting them.

“We had a lot of discussion about what happened. They didn’t quite understand the distance between here and New York, much less the Middle East,” Mrs. Mills said. “So I tried to bring it closer to home, closer to what they can see around them. We talked about the military and how it protects us.”

Mrs. Adcock, whose spouse had been in the military several years ago, felt she could rally support from High-



Courtesy photos

Letters from across the nation also made their way to the Pentagon. Hundreds of them now cover walls and cubicles.

land Park Elementary and asked for help. About 20 teachers answered her call for home-baked cookies and pitched in to the effort.

The gifts were delivered periodically for three weeks before tapering off. Mrs. Tripp planned to revive the effort and continue showing Team Tyndall cookie support.

Islam — what Muslims believe in

Air Force chaplain teaches troops about Muslim beliefs, values

STAFF SGT. AMY PARR
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — A new word was introduced at the United Nations Summit on Racism in September - "Islamophobia," meaning the fear of Islam and Muslims.

This new word represents the fear felt by some who link all people of Islamic faith to the terrorists who hijacked planes and crashed into the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and Pennsylvania.

The best way for people to overcome those fears is to be informed, said Chaplain (Capt.) Hamza Al-Mubarak, a Muslim chaplain assigned to the 81st Training Wing, Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.

"Ignorance and hate have already cost us thousands of lives," he said. "Get the information (about Islam) and pass it on to someone you know." The Quran does not condone acts of terrorism, he said.

"Islam is a religion of mercy and peace; it does not permit or encourage terrorism," Chaplain Al-Mubarak said.

"Killing the weak, infants, women and the elderly, and destroying property are considered serious crimes in Islam," said H.E. Shaikh Salih bin Muhammad Al-Luheidan, Supreme Judicial Council of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia chairman, in a statement after the Sept. 11 attacks.

"Killing innocent people is by itself a grave crime, quite apart from

terrorizing and committing crimes

against infants and

women," he

said. "Such acts

do no honor to

he who commits

them, even if he

claims to be a Mus-

lim."

While some terrorists claim to be Muslim and believe their acts will pave the way for an Islamic revival and a return to the rule of Islam's glorious law, the majority of Muslims do not feel that way, Chaplain Al-Mubarak said.

Telling a story told by a Muslim prophet, he said, "Bear in mind what the Prophet Muhammad said. 'Do not

be delighted by the action of anyone until you see how he ends up.'"

According to the chaplain, one of the more notorious acts committed by Islamic radicals, suicide, is unacceptable in the Muslim religion.

"Some are under the misconception that by killing oneself for an Islamic cause, one commits an act which deserves paradise," Chaplain Al-Mubarak said. "The taking of one life which Allah

has given as a trust to the human is a great sin. Likewise, the taking of other lives, which is so often the case, is also forbidden as human life is indeed precious.

"Thus, all types of extremities such as hostage taking, hijacking and planting bombs in public places are clearly forbidden in Islam," he said.

Chaplain Al-Mubarak, one of only two Muslim Air Force chaplains, said since the attacks, he has spent countless hours answering questions about Islam and trying to educate people.

"To assume that all Muslims are anti-American is nonsense," he said. "There are millions of Muslims in our country

who are ready and willing to fight in the cause of justice and to preserve the American way of life."

Many Muslims are serving their country honorably in the Armed Services, said Master Sgt. Karim Pasha of the 325th Air Control Squadron. He is just one of many examples.

"Most Muslims are concerned about finding opportunities to better themselves;

they came here because those opportunities didn't exist in their countries for whatever reason."

Chaplain Al-Mubarak said there are many Muslims in the military who choose to place a code of "no religious preference" in their personnel records. He said they do this in part out of fear of reprisals because of their faith.

"Some individuals in the United States want instant justice and will lash out at anyone who looks or dresses like a Muslim or an Arab," he said. "Some Muslim members have expressed fear of retaliation, not in regards to openly discussing the Islamic faith, but in regards to dress and appearance, such as the stereotypical look of a Muslim or resembling someone from the Middle East.

"It is a difficult time," Chaplain Al-Mubarak said. "I personally felt ashamed that someone claiming to be a Muslim did this in the name of God. This is not Islam nor the nature of a Muslim. We all feel the sorrow and loss from this tragedy.

"Being Muslim does not diminish the fact that we are human and understand the frailties of life and realize how many lives were lost and ruined because of one's ideology and personal and religious beliefs. Our deepest sympathy goes out to everyone affected by the Sept. 11 tragedy."

For more information about Islam, contact a local chaplain or contact Master Sgt. Ish Mohammed, director of the Tyndall First Term Airmen Center, at 283-4336.



Courtesy photo

The calligraphy above means Allah in Arabic.

اللَّهُمَّ بَارِكْ أَهْلَ هَذَا الْبَيْتِ
وَاحْفَظْهُمْ مِنْ كُلِّ سُوءٍ



Courtesy photos

Many followers of the Islamic religion make a pilgrimage to Mecca at least once in their lives. There are currently more than 300 practicing Muslims in Bay County.

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hot dogs, cotton candy and popcorn will be sold. Door prize drawings for various items will be held throughout the evening.

“The Jacksonville Jaguars have donated several autographed items as well as game tickets,” Ms. Daniels said.

Because of the increased security measures, anyone coming to the fall festival must show identification. Parking at the youth center is limited, especially under the present conditions.

“Housing residents are asked to walk to the youth center to help with the parking problem,” said Ms. Hooks. “Carpooling with friends would also help.”

For more information about the fall festival, contact the youth center at 283-4366.



Courtesy photo
Dor-Dor the clown will be one of many attractions at the youth center's annual fall festival.

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anyone wishing to cut in the chance to drive to the end of the lines where they belong.

AI'm in agreement with your comment and thank you for raising this issue. People taking these “shortcuts” around traffic should cease and desist. I would remind everyone that the increased force-protection measures currently in place provide added security and safety for base personnel and resources. One of the effects of this increased security is the delayed traffic you have identified.

Highway 98 is a volatile situation each morning with the increased number of vehicles lining up to enter the installation. Drivers should be aware that making a “U-turn” across a double yellow line is illegal within the state of Florida. While driving farther down the roadway past the double yellow line to accomplish a “turnaround” is considered legal, as is ducking into Bay View housing to cross U.S. 98 straight into Sabre Gate, doing so in traffic is certainly hazardous, and doing so to avoid the lines waiting to enter the base won't be tolerated.

Bottom line: Although it can certainly be frustrating, drivers are encouraged to be courteous and wait their turn. Unsafe driving not only puts ourselves and others at increased risk, we impact the already heavily tasked security forces organization when we create unsafe traffic conditions through our own actions. Tyndall personnel should expect traffic delays and should plan accordingly. Work centers are reminded to stagger work schedules to help alleviate these delays.

The Air Force Academy: When did they get good?

2ND LT. RYAN FITZGERALD
325th Fighter Wing public affairs

I grew up in Wisconsin. Wisconsin-ites are so delirious about football, they wear wedges of cheddar on their heads to support the state team. I went to college in Iowa. There they wear foam rubber corncobs on their heads at University of Iowa games. I figure they do it because they have nothing better to wear now that leisure suits and fedoras are out.

Since I've been displaced from my home, where we love our football teams so much we wear food on our heads, I'm wondering what I should be putting on my head during the weekend games.

I think I'll be buying a lightning bolt. Just in case raining terror from the skies on terrorist strongholds isn't enough for members of the Team in Blue to be proud of, Air Force looks to

be a serious contender to win their conference. The surprising Air Force Academy Falcons are 4-1 and undefeated in the Mountain West Conference.

I've never followed Academy ball much. The teams are usually below average, and as I mentioned above, I really prefer my mascots to be edible. The play of the cadets this year made me take notice.

At the University of Iowa, our football players spent all summer lifting weights, trying to pass Underwater Basket Weaving 101 for the third time, going to clubs and practicing for the season. Care to know what Keith Boyea, the Falcons' quarterback did for fun last summer? He went to Combat Survival Training to train other cadets. The summer before, he went to be trained by other cadets. Joel Buelow, the weak side corner for the



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The Gulf Guide

Your link to what's going on in the Tyndall community

This Week

Friday

Top 3 meeting

The Tyndall Top 3 monthly meeting is 3 p.m. today at Heritage Park. For more information, call Master Sgt. Susan McBride, 283-2967.

Monday

'Moms, Pops & Tots'

The parent and child interaction play group, "Moms, Pops & Tots," for parents and their under-age-five children meets on Mondays. For more information and meeting locations, call 286-5812.

Anger-management class

The last meeting of the three-session anger-management class will be 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday in the life skills support center, Building 1305. For more information, call family advocacy, 283-7272.

Boating safety course

The Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 19 advanced coastal navigation class will be 6:15-9 p.m. Mondays and Thursdays in Gulf Coast Community College's Gibson lecture hall. The course runs through Nov. 29 and is limited to 12 students. There is no charge for the instruction, but a \$40 material charge is necessary for books and charts. For more information, call 215-2025 or 769-1896.

Tuesday

Civil Air Patrol meeting

Civil Air Patrol meetings for boys and girls 12 years old and older will be held 6-8:30 p.m. every Tuesday in Building 852. The CAP offers local and national activities with a focus on educational and professional development. For more information, call Capt. Laura Palm, 283-7594, or Master Sgt. Perry Newberry, 283-4189.

Wednesday

Protestant youth group

The Tyndall Chapel's Protestant Youth Group meets 5-7 p.m. Wednesdays at Chapel 2. The meeting begins with dinner with the kids' club and then moves on to its own activities. The youth group is for grades six-12, and the kids' club is for kindergarten-grade five. Adult volunteers of all grades and ages are welcome. For more information, call the Chapel 2 office, 283-2925.

Parenting-skills seminar

The three-session effective parenting-skills seminar will continue 3-4:30 p.m. Wednesday in the health and wellness center classroom. The class will focus on communicating with children and learning to help children improve their focus and concentration. For more information, call family advocacy, 283-7272.

Thursday

Bible prophecy class

A 10-week Bible prophecy class will begin 7 p.m. Thursday at Chapel 2 and will continue every Thursday. For more information, call Chaplain Scott Tyman, 896-0944.

Palace Chase briefing

Palace Chase briefings for all those interested in the Palace Chase program will be 1 p.m. on the second and fourth Thursday of each month in Room 222 of Building 662. For more information, call in-service recruiter Master Sgt. Bill Beasley, 283-8384.

Yard Sales

The following yard sales are scheduled for Saturday: 2929-A Bomarc St., 3141-A Guardian Circle, 3101-A Dagger Drive and 3473-A Hunt Court. All yard sales are held between 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Notes

Chapel schedule

The following Catholic services will be held at Chapel 2: Daily Mass, 11:30 a.m. Monday-Friday; Reconciliation, after Saturday Mass or by appointment; Saturday Mass, 5 p.m.; Sunday Mass, 9:30 a.m.; religious education, 11 a.m. Sunday. Protestant services will be as follows: Communion service, 9:30 a.m., Chapel 1; general Protestant service, 11 a.m., Chapel 2.

Service station hours

Due to the weekday traffic situation, the Tyndall Service Station will be temporarily opening at 6 a.m. For more information, call 286-5826.

Flight line barbershop hours

The flight line barbershop is open 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday to Friday and is closed 1-1:30 p.m. for lunch. Appointments are accepted. For more information, or to make an appointment, call 283-4917.

Minnesota Air Guard openings

Immediate Minnesota Air National Guard positions are available with the 148th Fighter Wing, Duluth, Minn. For more information, call Master Sgt. Frank Bucar Jr., DSN 825-7440, or call toll free, (800) 831-7027. Interested individuals may also call the military personnel flight customer service office, 283-3198.

Child care extension

The Extended Duty Child Care Program is waving parent's copayment charge from Oct. 20 through Nov. 24 in response to increased work schedules some personnel are experiencing. Those using this service during this period will incur no cost to the family provided a signed certificate is obtained from one of the following: the Child Development Center, Family Child Care, Youth Center or Squadron First Sergeants. For more information, call 283-2266.

Retiree News

Providers seeing TFL patients

TRICARE For Life began Oct. 1, and approximately 1.5 million uniformed services retirees, their family members and survivors, age 65 and older, will receive expanded medical coverage through the Department of Defense health-care program. TRICARE For Life will be second payer to Medicare for services and supplies that are benefits under both programs, and the provider does not have to file a TRICARE claim. Combined with the TRICARE Senior Pharmacy Program that was implemented April 1, TRICARE For Life will cover most medical costs not covered by Medicare.

There are some health-care services that are benefits under either Medicare or TRICARE, but not both. For example, Medicare covers some chiropractic services, whereas TRICARE does not. Conversely, TRICARE covers retail pharmacy prescriptions and Medicare does not. In these circumstances, the beneficiary will remain responsible for the applicable Medicare or TRICARE cost share and deductible. For those TRICARE For Life users who have other health insurance, TRICARE will pay after the other health insurance and Medicare.

No TRICARE For Life beneficiary card is necessary to receive care, and no enrollment is required. However, to be eligible for the expanded TRICARE coverage, uniformed services retirees, eligible family members and survivors, age 65 and over, need to be registered in the Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System. They also must have Medicare Part A and be enrolled in Part B. Anyone with questions about TRICARE For Life may call TRICARE's toll-free number, (888) 363-5433, 8 a.m.-11 p.m. Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Sunday.

The TRICARE Senior Pharmacy Program enables comprehensive prescription drug coverage with minimal co-payments through its National Mail Order Pharmacy Program, or through TRICARE network and non-network pharmacies. Those eligible may also continue using military treatment facility pharmacies, which require no co-payments. For more information, call the toll-free TRICARE Senior Pharmacy Program, (877) 363-6337. Additional information and updates about TRICARE For Life are posted on the TRICARE Web site at: <http://www.tricare.osd.mil/ndaa>.

Base Theater



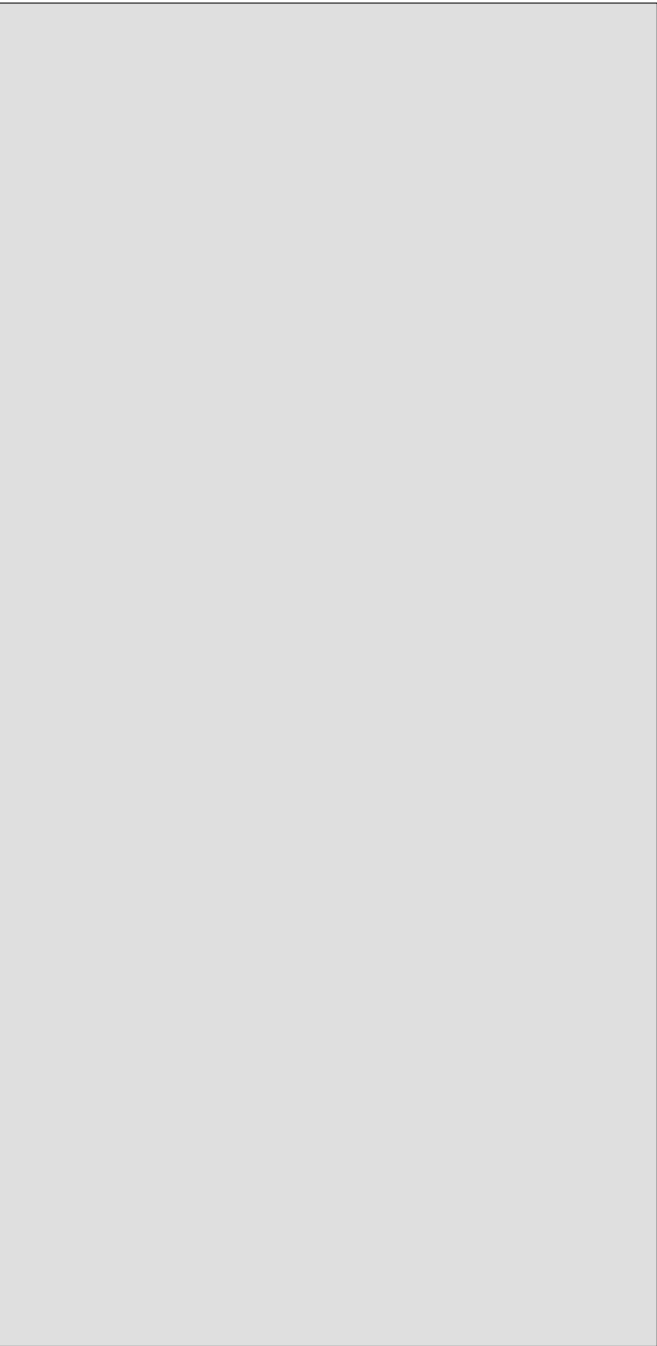
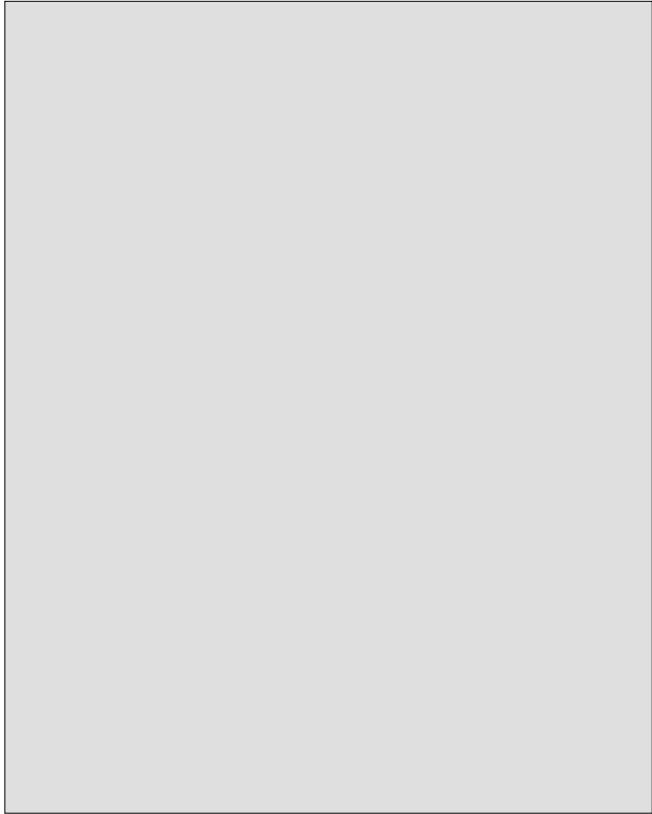
Today: "Rock Star" (R, language, sexuality and some drug content, 104 min.)

Saturday: "The Musketeer" (PG-13, intense action violence, some sexual material, 105 min.)

Sunday: "The Musketeer"

Thursday: "Rock Star"

All movies start at 7 p.m.



●FROM ZONE PAGE 11 Academy, gets special note from me. First, he was born and raised in the greatest state in the union, Wisconsin, where we produce beer, cheese and football players. Second, his summer class wasn't in underwater basket weaving, home economics or Phys. Ed. It was in aeronautical engineering. He also chose to come play for the Academy after being recruited by *two* Big Ten schools, Iowa and Minnesota, and two Division 1A teams. Big Ten corners often get signed for multi-million dollar contracts into the NFL — last I checked, second lieutenants make about 2,500 bucks a month. Who would want to pay all those taxes anyway?

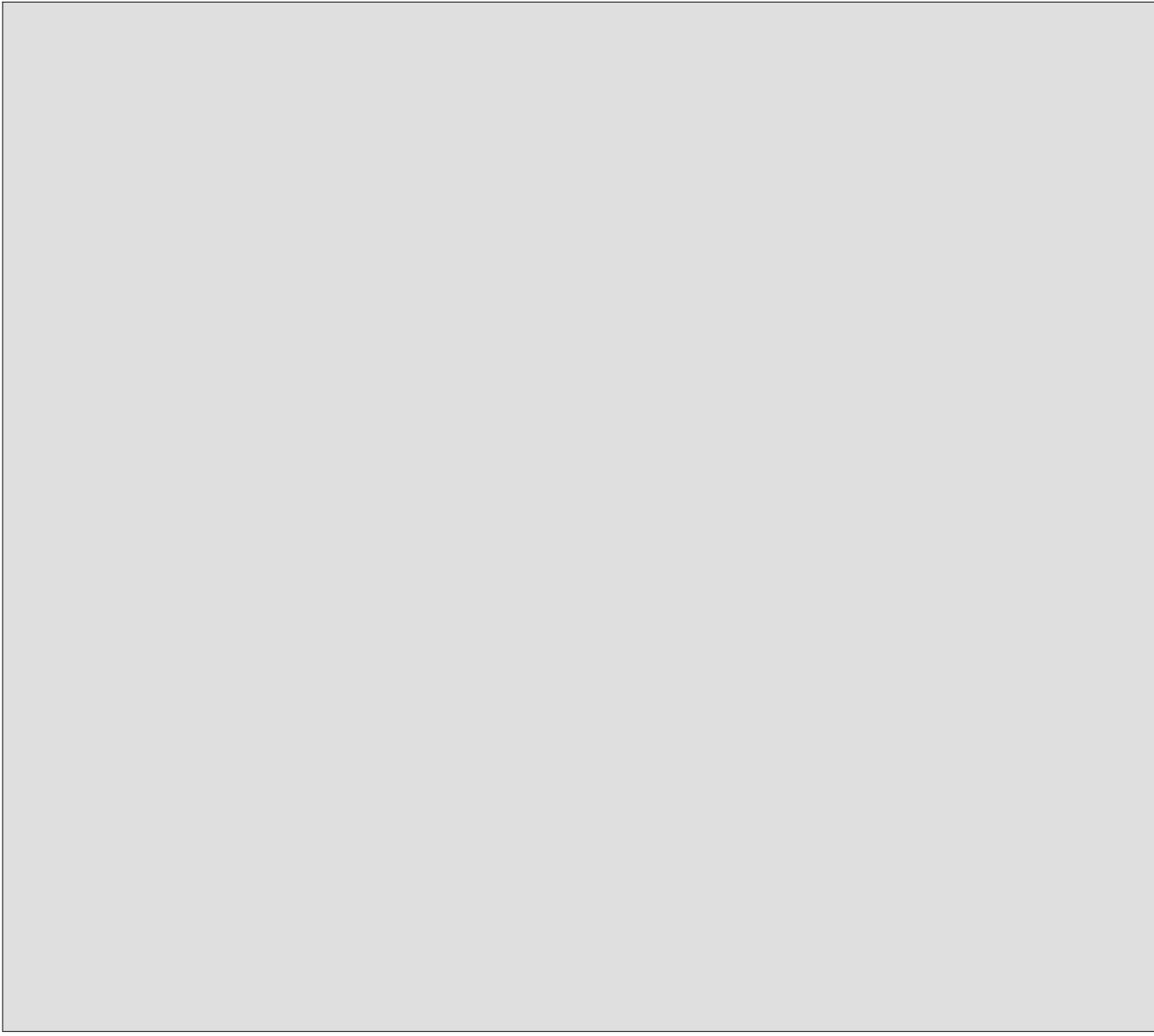
Plus, Academy guys seem to be a good bit smaller than average. Leotis Palmer is starting halfback for the Falcons. His weight is an anemic 175, yet he averaged 5.9 yards per carry last year. Keith Boyea, an

MWC player of the week, weighs only 190. If this season continues on this path, they might just prove that size doesn't matter.

Maybe these guys would have gotten NFL contracts, maybe not. They all had other teams offer them scholarships to play ball at schools where ethics violations don't even rate a roll of a teacher's eyes. Instead they chose to be referred to as "plebe" for a year, work harder than just about any other college student and instantly give up the chance to be signed by an NFL team out of college. Pretty impressive decision making out of a 17 or 18 year-old mind.

Lightning bolts haven't been in style since M.C. What's-his-name shaved them into his head — they're due for a comeback. So with the nation needing us to part with more of our wages to spur the economy, I have a wise investment for all my one reader. Go buy some stock in a foam rubber hat company.

The Standings - Football							
TEAM - RECORD							
MXS	7-0	WEG	4-2	SEADS	5-5	MDG	1-5
CES	7-1	TEST	5-3	83FWS	3-5	2FS	1-6
COMM	6-1	OSS	4-3	95FS	2-6	ARMY	1-7
ACS	8-2	SVS	5-5	MSS	1-5	CONS	0-6



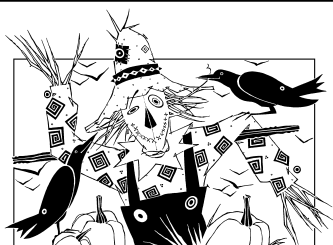
Funshine NEWS

October 19, 2001

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Tyndall Youth Center • Fifth Annual Fall Festival

Games, food & lots of fun for the entire family!
October 26 • 6-8 p.m.



Register to win:

★Family Door Prizes

Number in parenthesis indicates number of prizes.

- (2) 4 tickets to Nov. 25 NFL game
Jacksonville vs. Baltimore
- (2) \$25 Gift Certificate to Alvin's Island
- (2) 2 Tickets to Gulf World Laser Show

★Youth Door Prizes

- (1) Autographed Jacksonville
Jaguar Helmet
- (3) Autographed Jacksonville
Jaguar Football
- (2) Monster Mash Character
- (15) Foxtail

Sponsored in part by:

Blockbuster, First Command Financial Planning, Haribo, Jacksonville Jaguars, Klutz, No federal endorsement of sponsors intended.
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Hey Football Fans, here's how to WIN with Services

■ Pigskin Picks at the CAC

- Play for your chance to win Jacksonville Jaguars autographed merchandise.

*Sponsored in part by: Jacksonville Jaguars and Panasonic

■ Football Frenzy in the Pizza Pub

- AF Club Members could win a trip to an NFL game, the Super Bowl, the Pro Bowl, or a trip for four to Disney World or Disneyland.

*Sponsored in part by: Miller Brewing Co., American Airlines, Destination Arlington & Double Tree Alana Waikiki

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Pizza Pub • 283-3222

CAC • 283-2495



Information, Tickets & Travel

☎ 283-2499

Foley, Alabama Shopping Trip

Oct. 27. Enjoy shopping at over 125 of your favorite outlet stores. Cost per person is \$15 and is due upon sign up NLT Oct 23.

Skills Development Ctr.

☎ 283-4511

Auto Class

Oct. 31, 6 - 7 p.m.

Radiator coolant drain and refill class. Coolant may be purchased in the Auto Hobby Shop. Maximum of 5 students - sign up now. Call Rick for details.

Honor Guard

☎ 283-4405

Buglers Needed

Call TSgt Harp 283-4405.

Community Activity Ctr.

☎ 283-2495

Pigskin Picks

Congratulations! Eric Appletoft won Jacksonville Jaguar tickets with a total of 48 pts! Enter your choices for the next 6 weeks now for a chance to win Jacksonville Jaguar autographed merchandise.

Win a FREE Lunch

Starting Monday, Oct. 22, you can win a free lunch from the CAC Snack Bar or Pizza Pub. All you have to do is put your name on the back of your receipt and put it in the drawing box. The next day, 5 names will be drawn and displayed. If your name is on the display board you get a free lunch that day! Value not to exceed \$5.

Balloon Sale

On sale now: 15 latex balloons for \$10

Youth Center

☎ 283-4366

Start Smart Soccer

Oct. 27 at 8 a.m. For ages 3-5 years old. Parents teach basic soccer skills one-on-one with your child. Cost is \$25.

"Kids on Target" Archery

Open to ages 10-16 years old on Oct. 26, Nov. 2, 9, and 16 at 3:30 p.m. Cost is \$25 for members and \$30 for non-members.

Basketball Registration

Through Oct. 31. Open to boys and girls ages 5-14 years old. Must have birth certificate at time of registration. Coaches needed for all age groups. Call Bruce for times, cost, and details.

Basketball Camp

Boys and girls, ages 9 to 18, may sign up for basketball camp to be run daily in the Youth Center gym from Oct. 29 to Nov. 2nd. Cost is \$10 which includes a camp T-shirt.

Designate Combined Federal Campaign #3014 - Tyndall Youth Programs.

Bowling Center

☎ 283-2380

Snack Bar Specials

■ Stacked Sandwich: Choice of ham, roast beef or turkey, with french fries and medium drink \$3.10

■ Oktoberfest Special: Knockwurst or bratwurst on roll with potato salad, kraut, baked beans and med. fountain drink \$3.25

Graphic Impressions

☎ 283-2228

Business Cards

Full Color cards with your photos or color logos for just \$20 per 200.

Color Copies Special

Every Friday 8 1/2" x 11" color copies are just 65¢ each.

Marina Club

☎ 283-3059

Every Friday

Come check out our fish specials at lunch.

Sunday Breakfast 8-10 a.m.

Air Force Clubs

E' Club: 283-4357 • O' Club: 283-4146

Mongolian BBQ

Friday evening, October 19

At the O' Club Bayview Room. Price will be 75¢ per ounce of meat & vegetables.

Deluxe Brunch Buffet

All Ranks at the Officers' Club

Sunday, Oct. 21, 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Members \$6.95, Non-Members \$8.95

Kids 6-12 \$3.75, under 6 eat free

Menu: Scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries, creamed chipped beef, biscuits, pancakes, assorted pastries, orange and apple juice, coffee, tea, and more ...

Upgrade and include the Sandwich Bar

Members \$3.25, Non-Members \$5.25

Cashier's Cage

All ranks cashier's cage for account information, membership sign-ups and transfers, and bill payment at the O' Club, Mon.-Fri. 9-3. Check cashing available at Enlisted Club during evening dining.

The 2001 Ultimate Membership Drive



10 Air Force winners get their choice of a Ford Ranger, Chevy Cavalier, Dodge Neon or \$8,500!

Sign up by November 18 to be eligible for the drawing. Current members are already entered to win! Bring in a new member and receive a coupon for \$10 towards dinner.

Sponsored in part by:



Lunch at O' Club

Lunch will no longer be served at the Enlisted Club. Please join us at the Officers' Club for lunch between 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

